

### Outward Bound Article (IMPACT)

At Girls Inc., participants learn a variety of skills to help them navigate through life and follow their chosen paths. Most recently, girls from Girls Inc. of Omaha, NE; Sioux City, IA; Greater Atlanta, GA; and Chicago, IL got to experience a once-in-a-lifetime outdoor engagement experience with Outward Bound, a nonprofit that teaches critical life skills and builds confidence through outdoor activities.

Tamara Marisett, Grant and Program Compliance Director from Girls Inc. of Omaha, shared a little about what these types of partnerships mean for her Affiliate and what that weeklong experience that included rope courses, canoeing, and so much more meant for the girls. Marisett noted, “Girls Inc. exists to give girls experiences that build their confidence and character, and this partnership with Outward Bound was a perfect extension of that mission.” Marisett continued “Participants got to take on exciting challenges pushing through discomfort and helping them tap into their inner strength. Lessons learned will stay with the girls through life as they navigate through school, friendships, and future leadership opportunities.”

She added, “Partnerships like this remind our girls and us of what is possible. They open doors to experiences that can truly change a young woman’s perspective of herself and her future.”

Marisett closed by sharing that “Opportunities like these provide girls with newfound confidence and stories of resilience which inspire us all. These experiences are proof that when girls are given opportunities to stretch and shine, they rise to the occasion.”

We look forward to sharing more opportunities through Outward Bound and other partnerships that help us create meaningful experiences for girls. To learn more about Outward Bound visit [outwardbound.org](http://outwardbound.org)

